

(b) if not, when they would propose to take it up ?

SRI K. LAKKAPPA (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) Yes. (b) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (a) above.

SRI R. NAGAN GOUDA.—I want to know what progress has been made on this road, whether they are doing only earthwork or they have taken up the metalling of the road and if so, how many miles have been completed at present ?

† SRI K. LAKKAPPA.—This road has been split up into three parts, namely :

- i. Mariammananhalli—Dananyanakere
- ii. Dananyanakere—Darga
- iii. Darga to Yeswanthanagar

The first bit of road has already been formed ; the second bit has also been formed and that constitutes the R.C.C. road and the third bit, probably last time when I had been to Hospet, the hon. Member represented to me about this. Immediately I asked my engineers to take up this work and the Engineers have prepared an estimate for Rs. 43,500; they have already spent some money over it and about 3 miles 6 furlongs is already done. There is something more to be done. We will take it up next year.

SRI M. Y. GHORPADE.—In view of the fact that this is a very important road, will the Government consider metalling it in time and taking it up as a State Fund Road ?

SRI K. LAKKAPPA.—We cannot take it up unless it is taken over by the Public Works Department. This road is not taken over by the P.W.D. and hence we will not be in a position either to metal it or widen that road. Next time when we take it up under P.W.D. we will be able to take up this work.

MR. SPEAKER.—Next question No. 403.

Modification of Trusses in M. I. S. W.

403. SRI C. K. RAJAI AH SHETTY (Chikkanayakanahalli).—

Will the Minister for Industries, Information and Publicity be pleased to state:—

- (a) the estimated cost of modification of Trusses of Annealing Plant due to wrong design in Mysore Iron and Steel Works ;
- (b) the authority which designed the same before modification ;
- (c) the reason for modification ?